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NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to implement the National Oral Health Programme in the country from 2000-2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the criteria laid down for this purpose;

(d) the details of States that have been selected for this purpose; and

(e) the amount likely to be earmarked in this regard State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a)to(e) At present, there is no National Oral Health Programme under implementation.However, a Pilot Project on Oral Health has been initiate in 1999 and All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi has been made the nodal agency for developing a project with the following objectives:-

(i) To determine an IEC strategy for early detection, prevention and cure of dental diseases.

(ii) To frame and develop the curriculum module for trainers. Five regional workshops were held at New Delhi, Mumbai, Trivandrum, Guwahati and Chandigarh A sixth workshop to formulate the final recommendations for the prevention of common dental diseases viz. dental caries, periodental diseases malocclusion, oral cancer and pre cancer, was held at New Delhi in March, 2000. The final recommendations are awaited. Separately, a nation-wide survey of common dental problems is being undertaken by Dental Council of India.